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1. RE PARA 2A REF A - TIMING OF NEGOTIATION WITH GOI AND ALLOCATION OF COMMODITIES BY COUNTRY FOR FY 76 DEPENDS ON SENIOR LEVEL USG INTERAGENCY REVIEW OF PL 480. WE ARE HOPEFUL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS AND ASSUMING INTERAGENCY DIFFICULTIES RESOLVED COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS COULD BE COMPLETED AT VARIOUS USG WORKING LEVELS SHORTLY THEREAFTER. NEGOTIATING INSTRUCTIONS CAN BE SENT AFTER ISC APPROVAL, BUT IT WILL TAKE ANOTHER TWO WEEKS TO COMPLETE NAC CLEARANCE AND THIRD COUNTRY CONSULTATIONS BEFORE YOU
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COULD BE AUTHORIZED TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS.

2. RE PARA 2B REF A - THE BASIC TITLE I AGREEMENT AS COVERED IN REF B AND AS ADJUSTED BY MARCH 20, 1975, SIGNING OF THE TITLE I AGREEMENT BETWEEN GOI AND USG WILL BE USED AGAIN FOR FY 1976. ONLY MINOR DRAFTING CHANGES WILL BE REQUIRED AND CAN BE AUTHORIZED BY WASHINGTON BY CABLE. YOU SHOULD REFER TO REF B FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION. FURTHER NEGOTIATING INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE PROVIDED BY WASHINGTON AT A LATER DATE. ALL FURTHER REFERENCES

WILL BE MADE TO THIS BASIC DOCUMENT.

3. ALTHOUGH CONGRESSIONAL PRESENTATION CARRIES A FIGURE OF FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND METRIC TONS OF WHEAT FOR TITLE I AND THIS FIGURE DISCUSSED WITH FINANCE MINISTER SUBRAMANIAM AND AMBASSADOR KAUL DURING RECENT MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON, WE CAN NOT RPT NOT FOR REASONS CITED PARA I GIVE ANY ASSURANCE NOW OF QUANTITY OR COMMODITY COMPOSITION OF POSSIBLE FY 1976 INDIAN TITLE I PROGRAM. KISSINGER

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